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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of March 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

An Appendix "A", consisting of In re Venezia, 530 F.2d 956, 189 USPQ 147 (CCPA 1976) (4 pages).

An Appendix "B", consisting of the Patent and Trademark Office Board of Appeals and Interferences decision in Appeal No. 93-4004, dated June 29, 1994, is attached (7 pages).